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SUBJ: COMMENTS ON MEETING, AUGUST 19, 1977

(SALT TWO - 1359)

1. AT AUGUST 19 PLENARY (SENATOR CRANSTON, CONGRESSMEN CAR AND SCHULZE PRESENT), SEMENOV REVIEWED SOVIET POSITION ON REDUCTIONS, CITING BREZHNEV ON "CONSOLIDATING" VLADIVOSTOK, REPEATING SOVIET PROPOSAL FOR REDUCTION IN AGGREGATE ONLY TO 2250, AND PROMISING NEGOTIATIONS "WITHOUT DELAY" ON FURTHER REDUCTIONS IN CONTEXT OF ARTICLE XV, ONCE AGREEMENT ENTERS INTO FORCE. SEMENOV EMPHASIZED IN STATEMENT AND BILATERAL THAT CURRENT SOVIET POSITION WAS RESULT OF CAREFUL ANALYSIS OF "ALL RELATED QUESTION" INVOLVED IN SOVIET SECURITY REQUIREMENTS, WHICH I TOOK AS OBLIQUE REFERENCE TO LINKAGE BETWEEN FURTHER REDUCTIONS AND FBS ISSUE.

2. IN MY STATEMENT, I REVIEWED PRESENT STATUS OF NEGOTIATIONS, NOTING PROGRESS MADE THIS SESSION BUT HIGHLIGHTING REMAINING DIFFERENCES.

3. IN BILATERAL, SEMENOV EXPRESSED HOPE THAT MY TRIP TO WASHINGTON WOULD AID RESOLUTION OF DIFFERENCES OVER D&P AND MALMSTROM.

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4. IN CRANSTON-JOHNSON/SHCHUKIN BILATERAL, SHCHUKIN REAFFIRMED THAT ANTENNAS AT D&P WERE NOT "INTEGRAL" TO SS-19 LAUNCHERS SINCE ANTENNAS WERE "NOT NEEDED TO LAUNCH MISSILE." ANTENNAS WERE FOR COMMUNICATION AND CONTROL. FLIGHT TESTS OF SS-19 MISSILES FROM LAUNCHERS WITHOUT ANTENNAS WERE TESTS OF ANOTHER COMMAND AND CONTROL SYSTEM WHICH "DID NOT WORK"

AS WELL".

5. NEXT PLENARY THURSDAY, AUGUST 25.EARLE

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